

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 26, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DR. HENRY KISSINGER

FROM:

BILL BAROODY, JR. (B2)

The AMVETS organization is requesting a brief appointment with you to present to you the "Silver Helmet Peace Award". If your busy schedule would allow the meeting, I know that this group would be most appreciative. AMVETS has supported the President and his positions on Vietnam for some time.

Thank you.

Attachment

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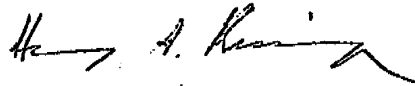
October 27, 1971

Dear Mr. Hall:

I am honored to be selected by the AMVETS National Honors and Awards Committee to receive its 1971 Silver Peace Helmet Award.

The pressures of various international events and absence from this country have been responsible for a regrettable delay in my response. I accept with pleasure your invitation to the AMVETS Awards Dinner on March 25, 1972. You can understand, I hope, that events always have the potential to rearrange my schedule without warning. Putting that aside, however, I look forward to attending the dinner in March.

Best regards,



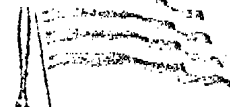
Henry A. Kissinger

Mr. Ralph E. Hall  
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February 5, 1973

To Bill Barosky

Mr. William F. Rhatican  
Staff Assistant to The President  
Room 286, Old E.O.B.  
17th & Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rhatican:

Attached is a photocopy of a letter received from Dr. Henry A. Kissinger in connection with the award by AMVETS of the 1971 Silver Peace Helmet Award. You will note from this letter that he accepted the award and had expressed the possibility of attending the public presentation of the award on March 25, 1972. However, as you know, it was not possible for him to attend this public presentation and his schedule since that time has made it impossible for us to make this presentation. I know you will understand the extreme desire of the AMVETS members to see that Dr. Kissinger receives this award particularly because of the successful conclusion of his efforts in securing peace.

It has been intimated that Dr. Kissinger does not desire any publicity in recognition of his efforts and we will accede to his wishes. We would, however, appreciate your efforts in securing a few minutes of his time in his office so that National Commander Sanson can make this presentation to him in person. We would desire pictures of this presentation to be included in our internal publication which is mailed to AMVET members only. Let me know at your earliest convenience if such an appointment is possible. Commander Sanson is also making efforts through the office of Congressman Gerald R. Ford to secure this appointment and you can be assured that anything you can do to help us will be greatly appreciated.

Just as a reminder, the award reads as follows: SILVER HELMET PEACE AWARD PRESENTED TO DR. HENRY KISSINGER WHOSE DIVERSE TALENTS, ENERGY AND INTELLECT HAVE HELPED SPUR THE NATION IN ITS PURSUIT OF PEACE. Prior recipients of the award were His Holiness Pope Paul VI 1970, President Dwight D. Eisenhower 1959, Vice President Richard Nixon 1960, Dr. Ralph Bunche 1966.

- 2.- Mr. William F. Rhatican

Also enclosed is a copy of the program of March 27, 1971 with pictures of a replica of the award that would be presented.

Very truly yours,



LEON SANCHEZ  
National Service &  
Legislative Director

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Enclosures